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EXAMINER: N. Yang

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FOR: A HIGH-THROUGHPUT SYSTEM FOR EVALUATING THE CLINICAL
UTILITY OF MOLECULAR TARGETS IN TISSUE SAMPLES

Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

This response is submitted in reply to the Office Action dated October 20, 2003 for which a response is due on or before March 20, 2004 with a two-month extension of time. Since March 20, 2004 falls on a Saturday, this response is due on or before Monday, March 22, 2004. Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time and the Commissioner is authorized to charge the two-month petition fee of \$420.00 to Deposit Account No. 08-0219. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional necessary fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 08-0219 to maintain the pendency of this application.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 16 of this paper.